

Application for Student Award 2006 - 2007

"What advice would you give to students starting your course?"

The Centre for Bioscience is pleased to offer you the chance to submit your opinions and experiences in a 1,000 word essay, "What advice would you give to students starting your course". The winner will receive a prize of £250 and runners-up a prize of £50, the winning, runners-up and shortlisted essays will be published on the Centre for Bioscience's website. The winning entry will be submitted to the Higher Education Academy's national essay competition with first prize of a Toshiba laptop computer.

The competition is open to all UK higher education students (both undergraduate and postgraduate) in a pure or applied biological science. Entries are limited to one per student and must be the original work of the student submitting the essay.

Essays will be judged against the following criteria and should:

- be 1,000 words in length
- be submitted electronically on an application form
- be well written in terms of structure, grammar and spelling
- be entertaining and interesting to read
- be an original piece of work
- answer the question by describing the advice you would give to students starting your course and why you would give it
- include examples of good and/or innovative teaching, learning and assessment methods you are experiencing in your course
- provide an individual and honest account
- be of use to bioscience teaching staff and potential bioscience students
- be sensitive to personal, cultural and institutional contexts. For example, essays should not expose, ridicule or embarrass particular individuals or openly criticise an individual department

By submitting an essay you agree to it being published by the Centre for Bioscience in various electronic and hardcopy formats.

Applications must be made on this form and submitted electronically (as an e-mail attachment) to: k.a.clark@leeds.ac.uk, with the subject line "Student Essay Competition".

Deadline for submission: 16th March 2007

Competition rules:

- entrants must be currently registered on a higher education pure or applied biological sciences course in the UK
- only one entry is permitted per student
- entries must be the original work of the student submitting the essay
- no alternative prizes will be offered
- the judges' decision is final

Please make sure you have filled in all the boxes on the application form before you submit your essay

1. Your details

Title	
First name	
Surname	
Term time address	
Home Address	
Telephone	
Term time e-mail	
Home e-mail	
Course title and type	(e.g. BSc Zoology / PhD Plant Biochemistry)
Year of course	1 st / 2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th / 5 th
Department	
University	
2. How did you find out about this competition?	
3. Your essay	
"What advice would you give to students starting your course?"	
Please indicate in the adjoining box the word count of your essay (N.B. essays more than 10% over or under the word limit will be disqualified)	
Please type your essay into the box below (the box will expand as you type).	